

PNQG NEWS

Pieceful Night Quilters' Guild
of North Toronto

Meetings at Armour Heights Presbyterian Church
105 Wilson Avenue, Toronto
July 2016

President's Message



In guild time, this is the start of a new year. Its time to welcome back returning members and some new fresh faces. Hope you will join me and the executive in making this another fun and fabric filled year. Let the party begin.

In July, join Sally's marathon making quilts for Fort Mac. In August, Valerie and Liz will invite you to their party making items for the bazaar. If I don't see you this summer, then I hope to see you at the September meeting for Katie Pidgeon's presentation.

... Pat Stuckless

Vice President's Message

Hello everyone.

As the new vice president elected by acclamation (i.e. nobody else wanted to do it) I am pleased to say that I am looking forward to helping out in this way with the guild and getting to know more of you. Enjoy the rest of the summer but don't forget how to sew if you're too busy doing other things like water skiing or hang gliding.

... Leslie Batt

Next Meeting is July 13, 7:30 p.m.

The meeting will focus on making quilts for those impacted by the Fort MacMurray fires. **Doors will open early at 4 p.m. for sewing.** See next page for full details.

2016 - 2017 Membership Is Due

We currently have 48 members and 76% have already paid the membership dues for the upcoming year. If you are not sure if you have paid or not, please email me (Catherine) for your status. Cheques should be made out to PNQG and postdated to July 1, 2016. Thank you in advance for your support. Hope you have a great summer and see you at the July and August meetings if you are in the city.

Members who attend and wear their name badges will have a chance to add their names to a ballot slip for the fabric prize draw at our socials in June and December.

If you know about a member who has a major illness or whose immediate family member has died, please let me know so the Guild can express its best wishes.

...Catherine Richardson

July 13, 2016 Meeting - Charity Quilts for Fort MacMurray

The July meeting will be focussed on piecing and assembling quilts which will be donated to Fort McMurray. These quilts will be modern, gender neutral designs which will measure 57 x 66 inches.

The church will be open at 4 p.m. for this project.

Pattern: The Rising Star, from Missouri Star Quilt Co. You might like to see this video to get an idea how easily we will be able to get the tops done. https://youtu.be/dCGg70m_Oyg

Fabrics: 10 inch squares of medium grey and beige fabrics for backgrounds will be provided by the Guild. We will be using 2 1/2 inch strips. If you would like to share strips from your own stash, please bring dark and light strips that are 2 1/2 inches wide by 12 inches long. The more colours we have, the better the rising stars will sparkle.

Supplies: bring cutting mats suitable for 10 inch squares, rotary cutters, rulers, medium coloured threads (grey or beige works best), light and dark marking pen (white chalk pen works well). Sewing machines, extension cords and whatever supplies you like working with.

Dinner: Bring along your dinner and cool beverages.

There will be cutting and ironing stations so if you would like to come but not sew, there will be things to do. There might even be a quilt top ready for free motion quilting. Depending on how warm the day will be, we will be either working in the church hall or in the basement.

If you have any questions or will need help getting your machine into the church, contact Sally Elgar, 647-232-6060.

... Sally Elgar

August 10, 2016 Meeting - Bazaar Sewing

Thank you to Leslie (Batt) for volunteering to help us with this year's Bazaar. And further thanks to Wendy (Dines) and Judy (Murakami) for agreeing to take and store some of the Guild's Bazaar boxes. Living in small quarters, as many of us do, does not lend itself to storing much, so sharing the boxes around in this way is a welcome solution.

And a final thank you to those who took kits at the Social and for the money raised from the sale items, which we will add to the coffers.

At the August meeting we will have a cutting and sewing session for Bazaar merchandise, so please bring your 'tools of the trade' to join in with the preparations.

... Valerie Strand & Liz Taylor

2016 - 2017 Program

We've been talking Programs! The work of contacting and signing presenters is well under way. Rest assured that every effort will be made to create an interesting and varied program that our members will find both entertaining and informative. Announcements will be made once the ink has dried on the contracts.

Katie Pidgeon, our **September** presenter, is a graduate of the City and Guilds program and longstanding member of York Heritage Quilters Guild. In addition to a trunk show of her quilting journey Katie will share her process for the achievement of precision hand quilting, traditional and modern applique and original designs that have garnered judges' attention at the guild and national levels. What better way to launch the 2016-2017 season at PNQG!

... Kiyomi Sakamoto & June Basu-Roy

Community Outreach - Baby Quilts Update

Thank you to all who have made baby quilts, out of your own stash or with the flannel kits. Since March, I (Judy B.) have received 14 baby quilts that will be donated to agencies that service single moms through The Needleworks Guild. Joyce Hisey of the Needleworks Guild will be coming to the October meeting to collect our baby quilts for the 24 layettes that she is committed to providing. She will also inform us what she puts in the layettes. For those making baby quilts for our Community Outreach project, please note they are due by the October meeting.

I will be at the July meeting, and will have flannel baby quilt kits available, or batting if you are using your own stash fabric. You are able to make full quilts, just tops, or take pieced tops for quilting. Any washable material is acceptable. The size could be approximately 40" x 45". Thank you all.

...Judy Beca

June 8, 2016 Meeting - Highlights

Editor's Note: We continued our tradition of a year-end wrap-up with a dessert social, Past President's Challenge contest, Show and Share, games and socializing. Thanks to Erica and Cora for organizing the social; and to Wendy for organizing the challenge, assisted by Judy (Messenger) in displaying entries and tabulating votes. Check out the PNQG website pnqg.ca - Photo Galleries>June 2016 Meeting for lots of great photos. Photos thanks to Maureen Merrill.

June Social

We were glad to see how many members were able to attend the June Social. A big Thank You to everyone for the great variety of desserts that you brought. It appears that as well as quilting we love to bake. We wish you all a very enjoyable summer.

...Erica Ribeiro & Cora Westgate

Past President's Challenge

Thanks to all who participated and submitted a total of thirteen creative and unique entries (see below) - four quilts, five table mats/table runners and four wall hangings. Visit the pnqg.ca website for more looks at the entries, the voting and the winning quilts.



The attending members voted to determine the winners. Congratulations to the winners in each category as listed below.

Quilts:

1. Joy Takahashi (black & white),
2. Judy Murakami (blue & white ocean waves) and
3. Shelley Keyser (cranberry & white)

Table Mats/Pillow Cover:

1. Judy Beca (sashiko)
2. Nadine Wright (blue & yellow)
3. Martha Huffman (black & tan stars)

Wall Hangings:

1. Joy Takahashi (back & white clothes-line)
2. Judy Ellen (red & white)
3. Anne Sarsfield (red & white flying geese)

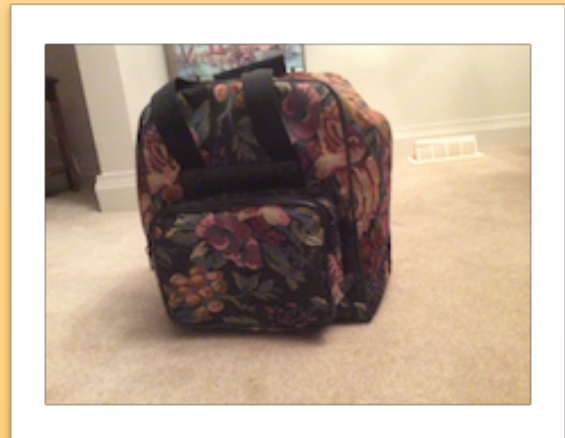
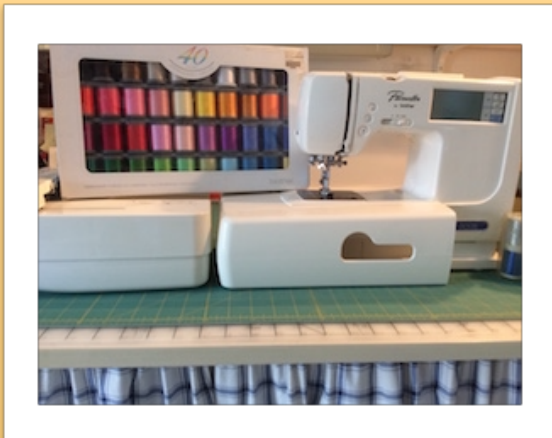
...Wendy Dines

FOR SALE

Pacesetter PE300S Embroidery Machine by Brother

A complete package to get you started with machine embroidery. Includes the Pacesetter PE300S machine, a large acrylic table in a zipped bag, 140 spools of embroidery thread, and 5 pattern discs. The machine is also very handy to take with workshops - its only 12 lbs. and includes a travel bag.

Complete package for \$500.00 Please contact Marilyn Murphy at 416-225-5600 or jmmurphy37@bell.net.



Mark Your Calendars for These Upcoming Events

<p>May 21 - September 5, 2016 My Corner of the World Stratford Perth Museum 4275 Huron Road, Stratford stratfordperthmuseum.ca</p>	<p>Presented in collaboration with SAQA - Studio Art Quilt Associates. 80 artists interpret their corner of the world in a colourful exhibit of exquisite art quilts from across Canada and around the world.</p>
<p>July 23 & 24, Trunk Show July 20, 2016 Quilts at the Creek 2016 Black Creek Pioneer Villa, Toronto Great deal on two-for-one admissions. quiltsatthecreek.wordpress.com/</p>	<p>An outdoor quilt show at Black Creek Pioneer Village, hosted by the Q@C Collective. Quilt display, merchant mall, demonstrations & the "Blue By You" challenge quilts. Also, Kathy Doughty will be presenting 4 days of workshops & a trunk show (with wine & cheese reception) evening of July 20.</p>
<p>September 9, 10, 11, 2016 Quilting at The Lakes Buckhorn Community Centre 1801 Lakehurst Rd, Buckhorn www.buckhornquilters.com www.facebook.com/buckhornquiltshow</p>	<p>Presented by Buckhorn Area Quilters' Guild. Over 200 quilts, Vendors' Village, Merchants' Mall, demonstrations, tea room</p>
<p>September 8 - 18, 2016 Fibre Content 2016 Art Gallery of Burlington 1333 Lakeshore Rd, Burlington www.fibrations.org/ artgalleryofburlington.com</p>	<p>The best of contemporary Canadian fibre art. You'll find inspiration, innovation and a nod to tradition in the exhibit of more than 100 art quilts, fibre art and media work. Admission is FREE.</p>
<p>October 22 & 23, 2016 Garden of Dreams. The Magic of Cloth - Act VI Quilt Show Orangevills Agricultural Society Event Centre 247090 5th Sideroad, Mono www.dufferinpiecemakers.org/</p>	<p>Presented by Dufferin Piecemakers Quilting Guild. Featuring 300+ quilted items, Members' Boutique, merchant mall, tea room mini draws, Northcott Challenge, quilt appraiser, raffle quit. Raffle proceeds will support the Headwaters Oncology Program.</p>
<p>April 8 & 9, 2017 Reflections of Georgian Bay Quilt Show 91 Concession Rd. 8 East, Tiny</p>	<p>Presented by Georgian Bay Quilters Guild. Features Quilted exhibits, vendors, tea room, door prizes, demonstrations.</p>

PNQG Information

PNQG Board and Volunteers - July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017

President	Pat Stuckless	e-mail:president@pnqq.ca
Past President	Andrea Howell	e- mail: PastPresident@pnqq.ca
Vice President	Leslie Batt	e-mail: vicepresident@pnqq.ca
Treasurer	Flo Blanchard	e- mail: treasurer@pnqq.ca
Secretary	Judy Messenger	e-mail: Secretary@pnqq.ca
Newsletter*	Shelley Keyser	e-mail: newsletter@pnqq.ca
Membership	Catherine Richardson	e-mail:membership@pnqq.ca
Library	Judy Beca	e-mail:library@pnqq.ca
Special Events	Cora Westgate & Erica Ribeiro	e-mail: specialevents@pnqq.ca
Program	Kiyomi Sakamoto & June Basu-Roy	e- mail: program@pnqq.ca
Bazaar	Valerie Strand & Liz Taylor	e-mail:bazaar@pnqq.ca
Webmaster*	Judy Messenger	e-mail:webmaster@pnqq.ca
Refreshments*	Joyce Dawson	
CQA Rep*	Bev Moffett	
Community Outreach*	Judy Beca - Baby Quilts Sally Elgar - Quilts for Fort MacMurray and Meals on Wheels (MOW) placemats	

* Non-Board Positions

PNQG Meetings and Guests: Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of the month, year-round. Guests are welcome (except for the AGM in May and social evenings in June and December). A fee of \$5 is charged for each meeting. Show and Share is welcome at all meetings.

Guild Communication: PNQG utilizes both a monthly newsletter and website to share guild and quilt related information with members. The PNQG Newsletter is published monthly, approximately 10 days prior to each meeting, distributed by email to members (unless alternate arrangements have been agreed to) and posted to our website at www.pnqq.ca. The website includes membership information, newsletters, photos, events, etc. Only limited photos will be included in the newsletter so you are encouraged to visit the website for all the pictures.

Members are welcome to submit quilt-related items of interest to members to be shared - member's blogs, items to buy/sell or recycle, events, etc. - via the newsletter or website by contacting the webmaster (Judy at webmaster@pnqq.ca) or the newsletter editor (Shelley at newsletter@pnqq.ca). In most cases submissions will be due 2 weeks prior to the meeting date; however, it is recommended you confirm the schedule with the newsletter editor.